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SUBJECT: SUGAR: APPROACH TO GOVERNMENTS OF QUOTA COUNTRIES.

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(B) BUENOS AIRES 0959

1. SUBSTANCE REFTEL A DISCREETLY DISCUSSED, FEBRUARY 8, BY EMBOFF WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL, OFFICE OF UNDER SECRETARY FOR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS, WHO HANDLES SUGAR AND ALL SIMILAR COMMODITIES, FOREIGN MINISTRY CONFIRMS, INDEPENDENTLY OF SOURCES MENTIONED REFTEL B, THAT GOA FULLY INTENDS THAT ALL OF ITS QUOTA ASSIGNMENT WILL BE FILLED.

2. FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL, RECENTLY RETURNED FROM ANNUAL LEAVE, WAS NOT AWARE OF ACTION TAKEN BY USDA ON JANUARY 11 MAKING AVAILABLE OVER 400,000 TONS FOR IMPORTATION INTO US ON FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVE BASIS. HE QUESTIONED HIS DEPUTY WHO HAD BEEN IN OFFICE DURING PAST MONTH AND CHECKED HIS FILES ONLY TO DECIDE ARGENTINE EMBASSY, WASHINGTON, HAD NOT ADVISED CONCERNING USDA ACTION. HIS PRINCIPAL COMMENT WAS THAT FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS SEE IT ADVANTAGEOUS FOR ARGENTINA TO BUILD RECORD OF SUPPLYING EXTRA SUGAR TO US WHEN CONDITIONS PERMIT IN EXPECTATION THAT SUCH ACTION WILL GRADUALLY RESULT IN
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ADDED QUOTA FOR ARGENTINA IN FUTURE YEARS AND CONTRIBUTE TO

STABILITY OF MARKETING ARGENTINE SUGAR CROP.

3. AT END OF MEETING HE ASSURED EMBOFF HE WOULD CHECK PROMPTLY
WITH SUGAR CENTER AND SUGAR BOARD, IN ADDITION TO OFFICE OF
SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN COMMERCE, SEEKING GOA EFFORT TO PROVIDE
A PORTION OF 400,000 TON GLOBAL QUOTE IF THIS IS STILL POS-
SIBLE.

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